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A NEW COMMISSION.

The provisions of the Mckinley Tariff bill, which have to day been considered by the full Committee on Ways and Means, and which have become tolerably well known to the country, have aroused a considerable variety of hostile criticism from members of both political parties, and from representatives of several sectional interests. This fact may show the difficulty of so revising the revenue system, from time to time, as that it may in the main be equitably adjusted to the changing conditions of national industry.

In the last number of the Statesman an intelligent and earnest article by Walter Thomas Mills directs attention to this difficulty, and suggests a possible remedy. His suggestion is a permanent Tariff Commission, similar to the laterstate Commerce Commission, with power at all times to obtain information and to receive appeals from negleeted, endangered or conflicting interests. It would be the province of this commission to make such reports to Congress, from year to year, as to the changes in the tariff schedule which it deemed advisable.

Of course, it is the duty of Congress to provide for the expenses of the Government, and it does this mainly through the tax imposed on the importation of goods of foreign manufacture. This is effected through the adjustments of the tariff schedule to the conditions of the trade of the country. But these conditions are continually change ing, and the tariff adjustments should, as nearly as may be practicable, conform to this variation;

In this connection it matters little what party is in power, or what theory of tariff legislation is held; the duty is the same. Whether it be held that import duties should be levied in sufficient quantity to meet the expenses of the Government "with the least possible interference with the freedom of exchange," or should be raised so as to foster American manufacturing enter-

of the time of each Congress is occupled by schemes of tariff revision. Mr. Mills holds that the methods now in use by which Congress informs itself as to the needed changes are cumbrous and imperfect. He therefore proposes the appointment of a commission for a term of years, on which both parties should be represented, which should have the power to shape tariff legislation. He urges that the members of such a commission would be specialists. that their decisions would be the result of careful and authoritative investigation, and that all interests would be more justly served by them than at present

Mr. Mills states his preference for such a commission as he suggests, for the following reasons: (1) While Congress can never know all

of the facts on which a just schedule must be based, a commission could secure the largest possible information. (2) While Congress cannot avoid special interests and cannot fall to be largely influenced by them, a permaneut commission would be largely of the nature of a court and could be more easily protected against such invasions. (3) While Congress cannot provide for a constant adjustment of th schedule to the changing conditions of the market, a commission would be able to do so. (4) While large changes in the schedul: occasionally bring dispater to business and the fear of them a constant embarrasement, such a commission, on the terms proposed, would effectively guard against both; while tariff legislation absorbs the attention of Congress and monopolizes the activities of polities, thus thrusting aside other public interests, such a commission would leave the field more open for other questions, the consideration of some of which is of the most vital importance.

DEALING WITH A HERETIC.

Probably the best advertised professing Christian in this country is Colonel Eillott F. Shepard, the pious editor of the New York Mail and Express. He is forever posing in some Christain attitude or another, and he has not the slightest idea of hiding his light under a busnel. He may not have all the qualities to be desired in a caudidate for the Mayoralty of New York, but he has an excellent nose for heresy and he can deal with the heretic when be finds him according to his deserts.

It is one of this religious editor's usages to print in his paper the choice sermons of eminent divines. He recently published one by the Rev. Dr. Whiton, entitled, "The Bible a Self-Correcting Book." Even to the uninstructed in such things the title of this discourse would seem to imply that in its author's opinion there were mistakes in the Bible requiring some sort of cororthodox Colonel. He says that he found the text all right-as if any text

the sermon accordingly.

were accepted astrucks in previous times; of which they were the respective that the earlier prophets were wrong in | brads some of their statements, and that main stance, are not necessarily manifestations of the Divine anger! No sooner o scarify the heretic as he deserved.

Christian duty would direct. He there fore is forced to confine himself in his references to the preacher to such meek epithets as "Don Quixote" Whitan, 'Mr. Nimble Jumper" Whiton, "Shifting Ground" Whiton, "Sneerer Whiton, "Microscopia" Whitem, "Mr. Hardheart" Whiten and such other 'good set terms." On reading these apposite epithots one cannot but feed how forcible the orthodox Colonel's arguments must have been. But we should really like to know how the Rev. Dr. Whiton feels. In the circ instances, however, the old classical quotation will be apt to occur to the unregenerate, Tantone enimis exlistibus

AN EXPERIMENTAL PARM

The use of that part of the Arlington estate which is unoccupied by the Goverument and which is practically waste land as an experimental farm would constitute it a valuable adjunct to the Agricultural Department. It would greatly increase its facilities for making those trials and tests in the cultivation of the various cereals, plants and fruits, for which it has now such limited

Outside of the beautiful cemetery and the ground required for garrison purposes at Fort Myer, there are 800 acres which might be employed for the purpose suggested, with not only vast improvement to the neighborhood of this city but also with benefit to the whole country. The part referred to contains a considerable variety of soil which might be utilized, not only for experi ments under the most favorable coudftions but for the display of the best methods in practical farming. The farm itself might become a kind of object lesson for the agricultural visitor, while the reports of the success or fall are of modes of cultivation by experts with the best appliances and under favoring circumstances would be read with interest by thousands of intelligent and progressive farmers through at the land.

There can be no doubt that the carry ing out of the proposed plan would add greatly to the beautiful surroundings of the Capital, and accordingly our citi zens generally must have been pleased to learn that a bill is soon to be are sented in Congress providing for its execution. If the improvement is effected, and if the amphitheatre which is suggested for the crest of the ridge be built, these features will show additional necessity for the construction of the great Memorial Bridge to span the Potomac at the foot of New York avenue, which THE CHITIC has heretofore earnestly advocated.

A CRISIS IN TAMMANY.

Not since the downfall of Tweed and his ring has there been such a whole sale exposure of wrong-doing in the public offices of New York as that prises, the relations of the tariff to the which is now being made. Light is industry and commerce of the country | being let in on the dark places. What must be considered and justly arranged. may be not inaptly described as an epi-It is an obvious fact that a great share demic of investigation prevails. The crooked acts of official rogues are being ruthlessly exposed and indictments are frequent. The air is filled with charges and counter charges, and not even Mayor Grant, ex-sheriff, has escaped accusation.

Now comes a clear note from over the sca. It is the voice of Richard Croker, the leader of Tammany, who is seeking to renew his health at the springs of Wiesbaden. He expresses the utmost confidence in Mayor Grant, and says:

Turn the rascals out, every one of them, t turn out the right men. Don't spare the big ones and disgrace the little ones, but turn out whoever is responsible, big or little. The Tammany man who betrays a public trust betrays Tammany as well. Whoever he is he should go-the higher in office the quicker to go. The people are mightier than any political body, even one so strong as Tammany. You can't buck against the people-not for long. Tammany can't be burt unless Tammany harbors and protects men after they have been proven guilty. If Tammany does that it nay as well put up the shutters, with a next little card outside like this: "Death in the family. Gone to meet the County Democ-

Tammany is fortunate in having for a leader a man so shrewdly honest as Richard Croker. If the wigwam heeds his words it will be well. If not, the Columbian Order, almost coeval with the nation, will soon cease to exist. Honesty is the best policy, even in poli-

STANLEY AND WOLSELEY

A writer in the Newcastle Chronicle compares Stanley's trip to Wadelel to rescue Emin Pasha with Wolseley's armed excursion to Khartoum to relieve Gordon Pasha. Stanley had £10,000 subscribed by private individuals. Wolseley had £300,000 (it is so printed, but perhaps it should be £3,-000,000) paid out by the British Government. Stanley got there. Wolseley did not get there. Stanley's protege is alive and well. Welseley's protege is dead, run through and beheaded by the mahdi's men. There could be other comparisons made The world rings with Stanley's exploits and fame. The sage portion of the world is disposed to at least reserve judgment upon Wolseley, who took care of his army which was large enough to have perished in a country without supplies and not large enough to force its way against the Araba without regard to their positions and number. But enough has been seen of the com parisons to show that private enterprise stands very well against the claim of superiority in government enterprise, and may put in some chims of its own .- Oal-

The News prieses the point in the comparison of Wolseley's and Stanley's Thus wantouly their torture prolong: comparison of Welseley's and Stanley's expeditions. Wolseley did not fall because his was a Government enterprise, rection. But this did not occur to the nor did Stanley succeed because his was a private enterprise. Had Stanley commanded the Government expedition to taken from the Bible could in his judg- rescue. Gordon he would have sucment be wrong-and that he printed | ceeded. Had Wolseley commanded the private expedition to rescue Emin he What was his horror, therefore, to | would have failed. The cause of Stanfind that this discourse, published in ley's success and of Wolseley's fallure his own paper, proclaims to the world, is to be found in the men themselves. that Christ corrected some errors that | not in the character of the expeditions

By the way, as the Negz appears to dies, like the recent "grippe," for in- the se deeply enameted of private suterprise, why does it not advocate it for the securing of deep water in their osters. had the pious editor discovered these | Flatter? Instead of no doing it ories herestes than he proceeded to refute hectily, in season and our of season, for them to the extent of four columns, and | Government aid. The rest of the country will be easily reconciled to see private enterprise "put In some claims of Of course he does this as mildly as the circumstances would permit and as | its own" in the matter,

THE FACY IS being noted that since 1864 New York has not given its electoral vote to either party in two suc cessive canvasses. In 1868 it was carried by the Democrats, in 1872 by the Republicans, in 1876 by the Democrats again, in 1880 by the Republicans, in 1884 by the Democrats, and by the Re publicars at the last Presidential election in 1888. If this alternation should continue it is manifest that the State will go Democratic in 1892. The fear of this is allowed by Republicans to be the secret of Democratic opposition to ballot reform.

A RICH LANDED proprietor in Austria has been sentenced to seven months' penal servitude, with occasional days of short rations and sleeping on a plank. He was convicted of inhumanly torturing a farm hand. They manage some things very well in the island

Texas and Flowers, music and cheering, singing and enthusiasm greeted Bismarck as, on last Saturday, he bade farewell to Berlin. Truly this seems a strange farewell for the populace to extend to the man of "blood

VEZY KNOX is the name of a new Irish Nationalist member of the British Parliament. He is unfortunate in one respect. No matter how big a man he may become in that body, it will always be said that his predecessor was a

ATTORNEY-GENERAL HOGG of Texas is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor. His opponents say that's just like a-well, like him, to want everything.

PERSONAL.

Ex-Senator T. W. Ferry, accompanied y Hon, George W. McBride of Grand Haven, Mich., is in Washington looking around after Lake Michigan harbor offairs. They also want an appropriation for a Government building a grand Haven. The Senstor's face is miliar one to the Capitol, but Mr. M. Bride has not been here since 180 then he marched up the Avenue with he Sixth Army Corps.

Miss Braddon, the novellat, is a colector of bric-a-brac, and has a very large and valuable collection.

Mrs. Marshall O. Roberts will pay \$12,500 for the use of Lord Spencer Ex-Sceretary Whitney has recently been in Boston to determine whether

send his son to Harvard or to Yale General Neal Dow, the temperance antiator, has just celebrated his 86th birthday, and is still hale, happy and

The Empress Frederick and her two laughters will leave Berlin about April for a six weeks' visit to the Crown Prince of Greece.

William Endicott of Boston has just entered his 97th year. He is the sole survivor of the seventh generation of John Endicott's descendants.

the University of Vermont in 1813, and is now 98 years of age. A patriotic Frenchman has entered

into negotiations for the purchase of Millet's "Angelus," with a view of its possession by the French nation. This is rather late, to say the least.

Earnest Renan, the French Philoso pher, indulges in a hobby of not riding in vehicles of any kind, perferring to walk, although his health is feeble and a stout cane is necessary to support

Miss Gwendoline Caldwell, who re-fused to permit Prince Murat to reduce her surplus, has been suffering from typhoid fever in Rome. She was con-sidered fatally ill at one time, but is now on the road to recovery.

Austin Dobson's appearance would surprise those who have so long admired the easy grace and airy fancy of his poems. There is nothing ethereal about him. He is a heavily set man with a florid countenance.

Judge Cooley, chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission, was much improved in health by his two months' visit to the South, but it is not believed that he will be able to resume his duties for some time to come.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes is the owner of an interesting relic in the shape of a silver teapot that has descended to him by a collateral line from Tutor Flynt of Harvard College. se term of service extended fro 1654 to 1699.

THE STEP-MOTHER

The day died out in dreariness and dread, Grim shadows crept through hall and corridor, While fading fire light lurid flickering shed Athwart the paneled walls and oaken

Around the cheerless hearth the children Pale, patient, broading o'er the dreadful (Like half-fledged birds forsaken in the Too cowed to weep, too dulled with

gloom and sorrow,

pon the wall the treasured portrait hung. That well - remembered smile forever gone,
That pure white neck 'round which their arms had clung,
Those lips once warm with kiss and benison.

At every functed footfall, white with fear The children started, trembled, glanced around, Gazed in each other's eyes and seemed to The stranger's voice in every passing

How will she come, with frown or baieful Yet fearfuler, to greet the shrinking

it last she comes. Hush, hush, unwell come guest.
Usurper of dead rites and dearest ties!
In, not false tears; it is a vision blest—
An angel stands before their glistening

wear, Oh! such a look so gracious and so The twilight gilmmering round her golden And tears of tender pity on her cheek, —Harper's Bandar,

With such a smile as mild Madonnas

THE SOCIAL WORLD.

President and Mrs. Harrison have invined a small company to meet Minister and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid at dinner

Wednesday avening. Mrs. G. Norman Lieber has spent the winter in the South with her sister, Mrs. Marvin of St. Paul, Minn., who is an invalid.

Miss Arline Bell, after a short stay at Virginia Beach, has gone to Boston, Dr. Hazen has returned from a trip.

Mrs. Thomas L. Brown, with her two children, will come to Washington after Easter for a stay of several weeks

with her mother, Mrs. Bleecker. Secretary Tracy has been elected an operary member of the Massachusetts Yacht Club.

Miss Carrie Story has returned to this city after a fortnight's stay at Fortress

Captain and Mrs. Schley and Miss chiev made a flying visit to Fortress Ionroe list week. Lieutenant W. W. Galbraith, U. S. A. will leave the city on Tuesday for West Point, after a few weeks' stay at the

General and Mrs. Van Vliet and Mrs. Van Nostrand returned last week from their trip to Florida.

Captain C. M. Rockefeller, U. S. A.

spent last week in the city. Dr. and Mrs. Pope invited a company to their residence on Saturday evening to hear the Lotos Glee Club of Boston, which rendered some charming music Several additional instrumental and Nellie Hunt, Mr. Hernden Morsell, Mr. Mierson, Mrs. Nute, Mrs. King nd Mr. Szemelenyt.

Mrs. Paran Stevens gave a dinner in New York last evening, in honor of Madam Albani. Later in the evening a large number of guests attended the reception which followed. Among the reception which followed. Among the dinner guests were the Duchess of Marlborough, Prince Yturbide, ex Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. William C. Whitney, Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish, Randolph Robinson and Arthur Leary.

Miss Farwell, daughter of Senato Farwell, was maid of honor at the marriage of Miss Isabel Scribner of New York to Mr. Carter H. Fitzbugh of Vicksburg, Miss. The marriage took place on Saturday at Blan Lodge, the suburban residence near Chicago of Walter Cranston Larned. Mr. Charles Scribner of the New York publishing firm, a brother of the bride, gave her hand in marriage. Among the ushers was a brother of Sir Stafford North-

Professor Carl Lumboltz, the Nor-wegian scientist, will give a lantern lecture on his life among the cannibals one day this week.

WOMEN'S POLITICAL CHANCES,

Nothing to Prevent Their Election to Congress, Says Miss Anthony. Some one circulated the ramor on Saturday that Miss Susan B. Anthony proposed removing to Wyoming and making the race for the United States Senatorship when the Territory shall be admitted as a State. Miss Anthony inushed good naturedly when spoken to about the report, and said that inas-much as she had no such intention it must have been started as a joke.

"But there is," continued Miss Authony more seriously, "nothing to prevent women from being elected to a seat in either branch of Congress if they re-Some years ago Mrs. Stanton announced berself as a candidate for Congress in one of the New York City districts. It was represented, if I mistake not, by one of the Brookeses at the time, and she received twenty odd votes. So survivor of the seventh generation of John Endicett's descendants.

The oldest living college graduate in the United States, it is stated, is Anios F. Parker, who was graduated from the University of Vermont in 1812 and distinguished an authority as Horace ing the person who shall be the bene-

ficiary of those votes." 'Is there any probability that the women of Wyoming will aspire to Congressional honors when that Territory becomes a State?"

"I should think not," Miss Anthony replied. "There are not to exceed 2,000 women in the Territory. In the new States you will always find women in the minority. In the older common-wealths—like Massachusetts, for ex-

ample-they largely outnumber the Will any other States change their constitutions, thus putting women on an equality with men politically?" "South Dakota will hold a constitu-

tional convention next autumn which will result, we believe, in striking out the word 'male' from their constitu-tion, thus giving us our political rights. If South Dakota does this North Da-kota will speedily follow. Then Wash-ington will fall into line, and so, ulti-mately, will Kansas and several other

"What do you hope to accomplish in Massachusetts, where the women nu-Miss Anthony shook her head de-spondingly. "I have but little hope of Massachusetts." she said. "The foreign element is very strong there, and it opposed, as a rule, to female suf

WIT IN A SMALL WAY.

The Sprinter's Paradisc-Lap-land.

The natives of Alaska are a cold and distant people.—Philadelphia Inquirer. A stutterer has his own ideas about the parts of speech .- Glen Falls Repub

A lawyer depends on words: the real estate man on deeds.—Merchant True-

A hangman's noose should be pur-chased by line-ear measure.—Arcola

It is the Bohemian artist who always brushes reason aside.—Judge. The weather is as uncertain as the age of a girl over 30.—Richmond Recorder.

The gentle spring is drawing near We note it in the light cravat,

But still we caunot say 'tis here
Until we see the first straw hat,
—Chacago Harald, Uninquisitive Miss Piper.

From the Atlanta Constitution There is a lady in Glynn County, Miss Piper, who lives fourteen miles from Brunswick, who has spoken to nobody but two women and a little girl in sixteen years. Miss Piper lives within two miles of a railroad and can hear the whistle of the engine every time it passes her house, yet she has never seen an engine or ridden on a train in her life. She has been living on the same place for sixteen years.

Getting Out of the Wet. From the New York Son Well, Bismarck is sensible.

"Think so?"
"Certainly. But he ought to have in out of the reign when it be-

SCHENCE REMINISCENCES,

celo Asked Him H Re Could Fight. The Hull flun Retreat, The New York World's Washington correspondent says; There was never any doubt about Gen, Schenek's bravery. When the attack was made on Sumter, he wrote at once to Abraham Lincoln, offering to serve in any capacity, "In helping to sustain the Government, the union and our flag," and he also offered his services to Governor Denison of Ohio in the same way. When he called upon Lincoln at the White House, the

atter said, as he entered: We are having a devil of a time just now, Schenck; can you fight?' "I don't know, but I can try," re-plied Mr. Schenck,

"All right, and I am sure that you will succeed," said President Lincola. You have it in your blood, and you shall be a bricadier general."

The President then made out a com-

mission for hlm, and General Schenck showed himself an able officer. He re ceived a major-general's commission for gallant conduct at the battle of Cross Keys, but he was wounded at the second battle of Bull Run, and he felt He was in the first battle of Bull Run and at the close of it was on the retrea when through the darkness he heard : voice of a man riding rapidly by him,
"Is that you, Schenck?"
"Yes. Sherman, is that you?" re

plied Schenck; and the man stoppe and the two for a moment hurriedly discussed the situation, "What has become of your troops Sherman ?" said Schenck.

"Heaven only knows," said General Mr Dean Dr. Lightning. Sherman. General Schenck held two of his regiments in hand and brought them into Washington. Most of the other

generals during this engagement lost all control of their troops. POOR COUNCILMAN COLLINS.

Wild Western Contemporary's Startling Charges Against Him. From the Onkland (Cal.) Morning Times. Thersites is probably the most despicable character in the Shakespearean

Councilman Collins is the Thersites of the Sinful Six.

Cassius, "the lean and hungry," is another type of the execrable ex-emplars of human nature depicted by Collins is the Cassius of the Rotten

Ingo is a villain of the most depraved There are many people who affect to believe that Iago is an impossible vil-Diseases of the Throat and Lungs at

These people don't know Collins.
Combine the volgarity and impudence of Thersites with the sneaking treachery of Cassius and the malicious cunning of Iago, and you have a Col-

All of these-Thersites, Cassius, Iago -bad redeeming qualities.

Collins has none. Polos, Pistol, Bardolph were thieves, cut purses, swashbucklers; but they never, in all their deprayity, reached the depths of infamy in which Collins is submerged.
When he introduced the ordinance

drawn by the water monopoly for the aggrandizement of the water monopoly was thought that Collins had crowned himself King of the Boodlers.

The impression was wrong. Collins crowned himself on Monday Collins, King of the Boodlers. He wears the laurel proudly.

Jimson weed A crown of Jimson bound to his pallid His throne a pillory, his sceptre a

muck-rake-his neck collared with the badge of his servitude to the monopoly.

By his silence Collins has acknowl-The applause of the people is vented in bisses, and Collins was bissed into

his infamous eminence. There is but one punishment that will affect Collins-tar and feathers. Even his conviction of malfeasance in office and subsequent deprivation of the trust which he has so infamously be traved will scarcely move him.

He is beyond all shame. The execration of the people is almost niusic to his ears.

But he fears the tar that sticks and the feathers that flutter in the night

What a bird Collies would make. How he would flap his wings and What a libel on the birds he would

Collins is sunk so low in his own esteem that he is ashamed to resent the insults that have been heaped upon Even Evans can claim a superiority

over Collins. Evans knows more than Collins, and Evans did not vote for him-Evens is angered by the hisses of the

people, but Collins submits like a ferrier cringing beneath the blow of his Evans will kick when he is subjected to the ignomy of summary removal from office; Collins will speak from the

presence of the people and be heard of Collins has voted for himself for the last time. The people have voted for Collins for

A l'inancial Transaction

From Pack,
Upson Downes—Well, this is a good start for the evening; I've just saved \$5. Rowne de Bout—How's that? Upson Downes-Isaacs offered on my watch, but I only took \$5. Where

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